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(57) Abstract: Embodiments of the invention relate to methods and systems for providing customized "haptic messaging" to users of handheld communication devices in a variety of applications. In one embodiment, a method of providing haptic messaging to a hand communication device includes: receiving an input signal associated with an event (210); determining a source of the event and selecting the control signal based on the determination (220); and outputting a control signal to an actuator coupled to the hand communication device (230). The control signal is configured to cause the actuator to output a haptic effect associated with the reminder event. An event in the above may be a reminder event or a status event (240).